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TAGS: SHUM, AR

SUBJECT: DERIAN TESTIMONY

REF: BUENOS AIRES 6332

1. IF QUESTIONED BY ARGENTINE OFFICIALS ON ASSISTANT  
SECRETARY DERIAN TESTIMONY, YOU SHOULD RESPOND ALONG THE  
FOLLOWING LINES:

A) DERIAN'S STATEMENT AND TESTIMONY TO HOUSE INTERNATIONAL  
RELATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON LATIN AMERICA WAS ROUTINE AND  
MADE AT SUBCOMMITTEE REQUEST ON THE OVERALL ISSUES OF ARMS  
TRANSFER POLICIES IN THE REGION.

B) MS. DERIAN'S PREPARED TESTIMONY DID NOT IN FACT  
MENTION ARGENTINA AT ALL.

C) IN RESPONSE TO SPECIFIC QUESTIONS ABOUT ARGENTINA  
FROM CHAIRMAN YATRON AND CONGRESSMAN BURKE, THE ONLY  
TWO CONGRESSMEN PRESENT, ASSISTANT SECRETARY DERIAN  
WAS REQUIRED TO DESCRIBE THE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN  
ARGENTINA. THE ANSWERS WERE NOT MEANT TO BE PROVOCATIVE  
IN ANY SENSE, BUT SIMPLY RESPONSIVE TO CONGRESSIONAL

QUESTIONS. YOU MIGHT REITERATE THAT THE WRITTEN  
TESTIMONY DID NOT MENTION ARGENTINA.

2. AT YOUR DISCRETION, YOU MAY WISH TO USE THE FOREGOING  
INFORMATION ON YOUR OWN AS THE OPPORTUNITY PRESENTS  
ITSELF. VANCE

ARGENTINA PROJECT (S200000044)

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Margaret P. Grafeld, Director

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